Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The science of chemistry gives us the power to understand and to use the elemental building blocks of all material things; and,

Whereas, The science of chemistry provides the fundamental understanding required to deal with many of society's needs, including several that determine our quality of life and our economic strength; and,

Whereas, Chemists and chemical engineers use their powerful science in helping to feed the world's population, tapping new energy sources, clothing and housing humanity, providing renewable substitutes for dwindling or scarce materials, improving health and conquering disease, strengthening our national security, and monitoring and protecting our environment; and,

Whereas, Chemistry professionals in public and private high schools and college campuses across South Dakota will be participating in chemical demonstrations at their schools or in their communities to promote chemistry and the development of research activities in our state; and,

Whereas, South Dakota recognizes the importance chemical research plays in the products we consume and in the economic future we aspire to create:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 23, 2007, as

CHEMISTRY DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State